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20 MAY 2008

Ref: 07-F-2495

Mick G. Harrison, Esquire
The 9/11 Working Group
The Caldwell Center
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Dear Dr. Harrison:

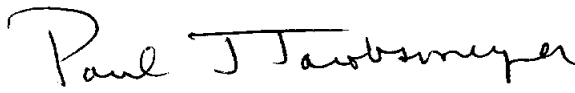
This is in final response to your July 29, 2007, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request on behalf of yourself, Paul T. Smith, and Kevin R. Ryan. Your request was seeking records relating to: "1) The Pakistani ISI, 2) Saeed Sheikh, 3) Lieutenant General Mahmood Ahmed, 4) Any and all financial transactions involving Saeed Sheikh, Mahmood Ahmed, or any other Pakistani citizen and Mohamed Atta or any other 9/11 hijacker, 5) Any meeting involving Lieutenant General Mahmood Ahmed and any representative of the United States including but not limited to CIA director George Tenet, Senator Bob Graham and Representative Porter Goss in Washington, D.C. during September 2001, and 6) Daniel Pearl." We received your request on September 5, 2007, and we provided you with an interim reply, also dated September 5, 2007, in which we advised you that we would focus our search for responsive records solely on item five of your request.

With regard to item five, as noted above, Mr. Mark T. Kimmitt, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, International Security Affairs, an Initial Denial Authority, determined that two pages must be withheld in their entirety, while other portions of the information also must be withheld from the enclosed 13 pages, pursuant to Exemption 1 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(1), because this information is currently and properly classified in accordance with Executive Order 12958, as amended, Section 1.4 (b)(c), and (d), concerning foreign government information, intelligence activities (including special activities), intelligence sources or methods, and foreign relations or foreign activities of the United States, including confidential sources, respectively. Accordingly, this information is denied pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(1). Mr. Kimmitt further determined that some information as marked must be withheld pursuant to Exemption 5 of the FOIA,

5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), which pertains to information that is deliberative and pre-decisional in nature, containing subjective evaluations, opinions and recommendations, which if disclosed would inhibit the decision making process. Finally, Mr. Kimmitt determined that some information must be withheld pursuant to Exemption 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), which pertains to information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. I apologize for the inadvertent delay in completing this action on your FOIA request.

If you are not satisfied with this action, you may submit an administrative appeal to Mr. James Hogan, Chief, Policy, Appeals, and Litigation Branch, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1155. Your appeal should be postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter, should cite case number 07-F-2495, and should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." There are no assessable fees associated with this response, since this information was previously released in response to an earlier FOIA request.

Sincerely,


for Will Kammer
Chief

Enclosures:
As stated

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September 9, 2001; 10:15 AM

**READ AHEAD FOR MR. WOLFOWITZ: OFFICE CALL WITH
PAKISTANI ISI DIRECTOR, LTG MAHMUD AHMED (U)**

From: Peter W. Rodman, ASD/ISA, 695-4351

(U) 10 September 2001, 1030-1100, Deputy's office, Room 3E944

(U) Host: DepSecDef Wolfowitz

(U) Attendees: See Tab E

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BACKGROUND (U)

(b)(1), (b)(5)
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MEETING OBJECTIVES (U)

• Pakistani Objectives: (b)(1), (b)(5)
(b)(1), (b)(5)

• U.S. Objectives: (b)(1), (b)(5)
(b)(1), (b)(5)

(Talking Points next under).

ISSUES (U)

• Afghanistan. (b)(1), (b)(5)
(b)(1)

• U.S.-Pakistani Bilateral Relations. (b)(1), (b)(5)
(b)(1), (b)(5)

• Pakistani-Indian Bilateral Relations. (b)(1), (b)(5)
(b)(1), (b)(5)

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Prepared by (b)(6), ISA/NESA, (b)(6)

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Musharraf-Vajpayee meeting on margins of UN General Assembly opening later this month.

- U.S.-Pakistani Military and Intelligence Relations. (b)(1),(b)(5)
(b)(1),(b)(5)

- Other Security Issues. (b)(1),(b)(5)
(b)(1),(b)(5)

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TALKING POINTS FOR WOLFOWITZ-MAHMUD OFFICE CALL

CONTEXT

- (b)(5) [Redacted]
- (b)(5) [Redacted]

U.S.-PAKISTANI BILATERAL RELATIONS

- (b)(5) [Redacted]
- (b)(5) [Redacted]
- (b)(5) [Redacted]
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- (b)(5) [Redacted]

AFGHANISTAN

- (b)(5) [Redacted]
- (b)(5) [Redacted]
- (b)(5) [Redacted]
- (b)(5) [Redacted]
- (b)(5) [Redacted]

PAKISTANI-INDIAN BILATERAL RELATIONS

- (b)(5)
- (b)(5)
- (b)(5)

U.S.-PAKISTANI MILITARY AND INTEL RELATIONS

- (b)(5)
- (b)(5)
- (b)(5)
- (b)(5)

NUCLEAR- AND MISSILE-RELATED PROLIFERATION (IF RAISED)

- (b)(5)
- (b)(5)
- (b)(5)

HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY (IF RAISED)

- (b)(5)
- (b)(5)

MAHMUD Ahmed
(Phonetic: MAHmood)

PAKISTAN

(b)(1),(b)(5)



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Military Career (U)

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Personal Data (U)

(b)(1),(b)(5)

MAHMUD'S WASHINGTON PROGRAM (C)

DATE	ACTIVITY
3 September	Arrived in Washington
4 September	(b)(5)
5 September	State Department (b)(5) National Security Council (b)(5)
6 September	(b)(5) National Security Council (b)(5)
7 September	Department of Defense - ASD Rodman - Director, DIA Possible Capitol Hill Appointments - Senator Bob Graham - Rep Porter Goss
10 September	CENTCOM CINC Tommy Franks, Washington

(C) Pakistan: Old Message, Different Messenger

(e) ISID chief General Mahmud (b)(1)
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: RODMAN-MAHMUD OFFICE CALL (U)

PARTICIPANTS (U)

(U) Pakistanis: LTG Mahmud Ahmed, Director General, Inter-Services Intelligence Directorate (ISID); Brigadier Syed Mujtaba, outgoing Pakistani Defense Attaché; Brigadier Masher ul-Haque, incoming Pakistani Defense Attaché; Brigadier Amjad Ra'uf, ISID Deputy; Col Ahmed Fayyaz Khan, ISID;

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(U) U.S.: ASD Peter Rodman; (b)(6) Mr Mike Walsh, Pakistan Director (Note: Under Secretary Douglas Feith dropped in on the meeting for a few minutes while in progress.)

SUMMARY (U)

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RODMAN-MAHMUD EXCHANGES (U)

(C) ASD/ISA greeted Mahmud and entourage and welcomed them to Washington.

(C) Recalled past personal experience working with Pakistan while on former SecState Kissinger's staff, and more broadly, past history of cooperative bilateral relations.

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MAHMUD ON AFGHANISTAN (U)

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- Recapped transition period between withdrawal of Soviet forces from Afghanistan through mid-90s, period of warlordism and civil war.

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MAHMUD ON WORKING WITH THE TALIBAN (U)

~~(S)~~ (b)(1),(b)(5)

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(b)(5)

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- (b)(1),(b)(5)

- ASD Rodman reiterated importance to U.S. of cooperation on terrorism.

MAHMUD ON CENTRAL AND SOUTH ASIAN REGIONAL SECURITY (U)

~~(S)~~ (b)(1),(b)(5)

(b)(1),(b)(5)

- (b)(1),(b)(5)
- (b)(1),(b)(5)
- (b)(1),(b)(5)

- Advised Mahmud U.S. saw Pakistan as important South Asian nation and that U.S. would pursue relations with Pakistan on own merits.

- At same time, ASD assured that he did not see future U.S.-Indian alliance or relations with Indian coming at Pakistan's expense.

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- (b)(1),(b)(5)

RODMAN ON U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS (U)

~~(C)~~ ASD Rodman offered some views on U.S.-China relationship, assuring Mahmud that Administration was committed to positive engagement with China on wide range of issues.

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- (b)(1),(b)(5)

- Hoped future developments would have beneficial affect on relations with Pakistan.

RODMAN ON U.S.-RUSSIA RELATIONS (U)

~~(C)~~ Mahmud asked ASD about U.S.-Russia relations, and U.S. views on Russian aspirations to revive its former great power status.

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- (b)(1),(b)(5)

RODMAN ON THE MIDDLE EAST AND PERSIAN GULF AREA (U)

~~(C)~~ Mahmud asked ASD for views on Middle East, Persian Gulf situations.

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- Noted durability of traditional monarchies in region in contrast to problems secular Arab states were having (i.e., Egypt, Syria).
- ASD emphasized two key challenges to U.S. in Middle East: resolution of Palestinian crisis and dealing with Iraq.
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(U) The meeting broke, and with parting pleasantries, the entourage went to see Director, DIA.

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Classified by: Dr. William J. Luti, DASD/NESA
Reason: 1.5(d)
Declassify on: 7 Sep 04

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~~SECRET//NOFORN/ORCON~~**ATTENDEES (U)****PAKISTANI DELEGATION (C)**

LTG MAHMUD ("MAKH-mood") Ahmed, Director General, ISI

Dr Maleeha Lohdi, Pakistani Ambassador to the U.S.

Brigadier Syed MUJTABA (MOOZH-taba), outgoing Defense Attaché

Brigadier Masher ul-Haque, incoming Defense Attaché

Brigadier Amjad Ra'uf, ISID Director

Colonel Ahmed Fayyaz Khan, ISID

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U.S. REPRESENTATIVES (U)

Deputy Secretary Wolfowitz

~~Mr. Douglas Feith, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy~~

Mr. Flory, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs

Captain Paul Hulley, USN, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for
Near East and South Asian Affairs

Mr. Mike Walsh, Country Director, ISA

Senior Representative (TBD) from the Office of the Assistant Secretary, Special
Operations/Low-Intensity Conflict, OUSDP

Senior Representative (TBD) from the Joint Chiefs of Staff

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